§917.6

§917.6 Handle.

Handle and ship are synonymous and mean to sell, consign, deliver or transport fruit or to cause fruit to be sold, consigned, delivered or transported between the production area and any point outside thereof, or within the production area: Provided, That for peaches, packing or causing the fruit to be packed also constitutes handling; Provided further, That the term handle shall not include the sale of fruit on the tree, the transportation within the production area of fruit from the orchard where grown to a packing facility located within such area for preparation for market, or the delivery of such fruit to such packing facility for such preparation.

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§917.7 Handler.

Handler is synonymous with shipper and means any person (except a common or contract carrier transporting fruit owned by another person) who handles fruit.

§ 917.8 Pure grower or pure producer.

(a) For peaches, *pure grower* means any grower:

(1) Who produces his or her own product (and is not an employee or officer

of a packing business); or

- (2) Who produces and handles his or her own product; *Provided*, That a pure producer can pack the production of other growers as long as the production packed does not exceed 25 percent of the total production packed for that marketing year by that pure grower's packing facility. *Pure grower* is synonymous with pure producer.
- (b) The committee may establish, with the approval of the Secretary, rules and regulations for the implementation and operation of this section.

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§917.9 Fiscal period.

Fiscal period is synonymous with fiscal year and means the 12-month period ending on the last day of February of each year, or such other period that may be approved by the Secretary pursuant to recommendations by the committee.

§917.11 Production area.

Production area means the State of California.

§917.12 Container.

Container means a box, bag, crate, lug, basket, carton, package, or any other type of receptacle used in the packaging or handling of fruit.

§917.13 Pack.

Pack means the specific arrangement, size, weight, count, or grade of a quantity of fruit in a particular type and size of container or any combination thereof.

§917.14 District.

District means any of the following subdivisions of the State of California:

- (a) North Sacramento Valley District includes and consists of Glenn County, Shasta County, Tehama County, Modoc County, Siskiyou County, Lassen County, Plumas County, and Colusa County.
- (b) Central Sacramento Valley District includes and consists of Sutter County, Butte County, Yuba County, and Sierra County.
- (c) Sacramento River District includes and consists of Sacramento County, that portion of Yolo County east of a straight line from the northwest corner of Sacramento County to the Northeast corner of Solano County, and that portion of Solano County east of a straight line from the northeast corner of Solano County to the town of Rio Vista
- (d) El Dorado District includes and consists of El Dorado County.
- (e) *Placer-Colfax District* includes and consists of Nevada and Placer Counties.
- (f) Solano District includes and consists of that portion of Yolo County not included in the Sacramento River District, and that portion of Solano County not included in the Sacramento River District.
- (g) Contra Costa District includes and consists of Contra Costa County.
- (h) Santa Clara District includes and consists of Alameda County, Monterey County, Santa Clara County, San Mateo County, Santa Cruz County, and San Benito County.

- (i) Lake District includes and consists of Lake County.
- (j) *Mendocino District* includes and consists of Mendocino County, Humboldt County, Trinity County, and Del Norte County.
- (k) South Coast District includes and consists of San Luis Obispo County, Santa Barbara County, and Ventura County.
- (l) Stockton District includes and consists of San Joaquin County, Amador County, Calaveras County, and Alpine County.
- (m) Stanislaus District includes and consists of Merced County, Stanislaus County, Tuolumne County, and Mariposa County.
- (n) Fresno District includes and consists of Madera County, Fresno County, and Mono County.
- (o) *Tulare District* includes and consists of Tulare County and Kings County.
- (p) Kern District includes and consists of that portion of Kern County west of the Tehachapi Mountains.
- (q) Tehachapi District includes and consists of that portion of Kern County not included in Kern District, and Inyo County.
- (r) Southern California District includes and consists of San Bernardino County, Orange County, San Diego County, Imperial County, Riverside County, and Los Angeles County.
- (s) North Bay District includes and consists of Sonoma County, Napa County, and Marin County.

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§917.15 Representation area.

Representation area means any one of the districts or groups of districts which are designated for nominating members and alternate members to the commodity committees under §§917.21 through 917.22 or as changed pursuant to §917.35(g).

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EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: At 59 FR 10055, Mar. 3, 1994, in §917.15, the words "§917.21 through" were suspended, effective April 4, 1994.

ADMINISTRATIVE BODIES

§ 917.16 Designation of Control Committee.

A Control Committee is hereby established consisting of 12 shipper members and 13 commodity committee members, and the members shall be selected in accordance with the provisions of §917.17 through §917.19. The members shall be selected annually for a term ending on the last day of February, and said members shall serve until their respective successors are selected and have qualified.

§ 917.17 Nomination of shipper members of the Control Committee.

Nominations for the 12 members of the Control Committee to represent shippers shall be made in the following manner:

- (a) By February 1 of each year the Control Committee shall announce a time and place for a meeting of all shippers of fruit and shall conduct the election of nominees at such meeting. At said election meeting the shippers present shall select a nominee for each of the shipper member positions on the Control Committee. Each shipper shall cast only one vote.
- (b) No shipper shall be entitled to participate in the nomination of members of the Control Committee, or be eligible for membership on such committee, if such shipper has failed to pay the assessments, due to be paid by him pursuant to the provisions of §917.37.

§ 917.18 Nomination of commodity committee members of the Control Committee.

Nominations for the 13 members of the Control Committee to represent the commodity committees shall be made in the following manner:

(a) A nomination for one member shall be made by each commodity committee selected pursuant to §917.25. Nominations for the remaining members shall be made by the respective commodity committees as provided in this section. The number of remaining members which each respective commodity committee shall be entitled to nominate shall be based upon the proportion that the previous three fiscal periods' shipments of the respective